is collaborating with the Ground Water Department, Rajasthan, Bhaba Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai, Regional Remote Sensing Application Centre, Jodhpur and Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad, for this purpose. The studies include remote sensing, geophysical survey, hydro-geological mapping, isotopic studies, test drilling as well as literature Survey.

(c) Question does not arise.

Technical Approval for Bakrol Project in Gujarat

1081. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bakrol Project was submitted to Government of India by Government of Gujarat for getting the technical approval clearance;

(b) if so, the details alongwith the date of its submission;

(c) whether the TAC has been given; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to the proposal received from Government of Gujarat in January 1995, Bakrol Irrigation Project with estimated cost of Rs. 23.86 crores, envisages annual irrigation of 4500 hectares in Sabarkantha District.

(c) & (d) The Union Government has not taken any decision due to non-compliance of the observations of Central Water Commission by the Government of Gujarat.

Fund for AIBP Scheme in Uttar Pradesh

1082. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Central Government have released a sum of Rs. 67.00 crores to the State Government of U.P. during the year 1996-97 for six projects under Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP);

(b) whether it is a fact that Central Government have allotted only Rs 43.50 crores instead of Rs. 67.00 crores for the purpose and remaining amount of Rs. 23.50 crores is pending with the Central Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when the balance amount of money would be released and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) to (c) The Central Loan Assistance (CLA) under AIBP is provided on year to year basis. During 1996-97 Government of U.P. was approved CLA of Rs. 67 crores for six projects of which only Rs. 43.50 crores could be released as the state submitted in time utilisation certificate in respect of only two projects for availing second instalment. Due to reduction in funds under AIBP at Revised Estimate state, the State could be released only part payment of second instalment even for these two projects.

Measures for Flood Control in Assam

1083. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken up for the flood control in the North-Eastern States specially Brahmputra river in Assam; and

(b) whether Government contemplate any plan to control the water from its river like that of the perennial Barak river whose reasources is from Manipur and enters Assam to divert it to the State of Manipur to meet the State requirements?

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